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CONVENTION RE-ELECTS OCKENGA

Convention Interviews

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[illegible] KENDALL, Washington, [illegible] Youth Christian Con-[illegible] interdenominational [illegible] committee in the Nation's [illegible]

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DR. AYER URGES RADIO REFORM

Speaking in behalf of the Work-Study group of which he was chairman, Dr. William Ward Ayer, Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church New York City, presented a resolution to the convention body which was spirited and timely.

The committee's report emphasized the fact that we have come to a critical and strategic hour: critical because the whole future of gospel broadcasting is at this very minute in jeopardy, and strategic because of the great challenge of the unreached masses. Declaring that gospel broadcasting at times has been brought into disrepute by the few, the dynamic committee chairman who himself broadcasts regularly over a 50,000 watt station said that there is need for a gospel broadcasters united front for matters related to national radio policy and united action in plan and procedure among those broadcasting the gospel.

In the adoption of this report the convention went on record as favoring a radio reform which would create a radio department to function for the radio interests of its constituency and to defend the right of gospel broadcasters. It was recommended that the association employ at once a full time director to care for the immediate and urgent need of gospel broadcasting in this critical hour; also that a continuing radio committee be appointed to act for one year in [illegible]

RUSH HOUR AT REGISTRATION DESK—From Monday noon to Thursday [illegible] a volunteer staff of eight secretaries was kept busy registering and recording delegates and visitors to the Constitutional Convention.

Delegates to Chicago Meeting Choose Dynamic Leadership

More Than Seven Hundred Representatives of Fifty Denominational Groups Plan Aggressive World Program

Outlining a constructive program of united evangelical action in the fields of evangelism, foreign and home missions, education, war services, moral welfare, separation of church and state, and religious radio broadcasting, the National Association of Evangelicals for United Action, meeting May 4 to 7 for its constitutional convention in Chicago's LaSalle Hotel, reelected Dr. Harold John Ockenga, pastor of Boston's Park Street Congregational Church, as president.

Movement to Represent 15,000,000

Dividing the nation into seven regional zones with district secretaries responsible to a national board of administrators, the movement which already represents more than 2,000,000 Protestant and evangelical church members hopes to parallel along conservative lines every sphere of activity maintained by the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, which is largely liberal in emphasis. The Chicago convention, attended by over 700 from some fifty denominational groups, is expected to become the vanguard of a mighty national movement, reaching out to 15,000,000 persons of evangelical persuasion [illegible] representation in federated or cooperative activity, and to a great number of the 22,000,000 persons for whom the Federal Council of Churches [illegible]

Dr. Decker Leads Moral Reform Fight

Sweeping moral reforms were urged Thursday, May 6, at the constitutional convention of the National Association of Evangelicals for United Action, in its final sessions, in which a trumpet call was given to national repentance and spiritual revival.

Executive Order Demanded

The moral welfare committee proposed a protest to President Roosevelt urging him to clean up [illegible]

DIRECTOR'S LETTER

N. A. E. [illegible]

... together ... football ... this ... We are all playing the ball over the goal line ... score for the Lord."

[illegible] HARRY O. ANDER[illegible] States Christian Com[illegible] Boston Building, Chi[illegible]

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[illegible]LEASURE TO SPEAK [illegible] THIS MOVEMENT

[illegible] a pleasure to speak ... things we wish ... upon and certainly ... this movement we are ... God's hand may be ... that in the days to ... by Him to ... urally my heart has ... this organization; my ... with it. I pray that God ... it success."

[illegible]LPH T. DAVIS, Secre[illegible] Inland Mission, Brook[illegible]

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[illegible] A. [illegible], Assem[illegible] D. C.

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... a great many ... of this ... one of the noblest ...

[illegible] ... the annual convention ... this proposal was the ... the National Association of Evangelicals establish a standard for membership in the radio department ... to provide a form of credentials for gospel broadcasters. The code of ethics approved was not to be lower than that recognized by national broadcasting groups outside of gospel broadcasts and in complete line with Christian ethics. This standard included the following:

1. Gospel Broadcasting by constituent members of the NAE shall be maintained on a dignified plane.

2. The NAE shall recognize for membership and fellowship only such gospel broadcasters as shall be maintained on a high ethical and financial basis.

3. Gospel programs shall, insofar as possible, be comparable in quality to commercial broadcasts.

4. Care must be exercised in gospel broadcasting to avoid highly controversial and minute sectarian discussion. The emphasis should always be upon the great fundamental truths of the Bible and extreme care should be exercised against giving unnecessary offense to religious groups with which we differ.

5. Great care must be exercised in solicitation of funds. We strongly recommend that dignity, honesty, and Christian sincerity be exercised in appeals for expenses for radio broadcasting, and that the time occupied for these appeals shall be kept to a minimum and shall not be [illegible] out of proportion to the length of the broadcast.

During [illegible] N. A. E. at the La [illegible] in Chicago many people [illegible] to United Evangelical Action or pledged to secure subscriptions from others. At [illegible] time these pledges and subscriptions were received the question of whether it was to be continued as a monthly or a weekly was still under consideration by the Executive Committee. The final conclusion is that it be continued for the immediate future as a monthly, with full newspaper size format.

It is the desire of our leaders to move forward conservatively and prayerfully. Some time is required to develop the personnel and the constituency for a more frequently issued periodical. We need your fullest cooperation in this matter. If any who have pledged subscriptions, or subscribed, desire to cancel because of this policy, money received will be cheerfully refunded.

We trust that we may have your continued and enthusiastic support of this enterprise.

Sincerely,

J. Elwin Wright

STATE STUDIES DELINQUENCY

DETROIT—Disturbed by a wartime upsurge in juvenile delinquency both in Detroit and in the state of Michigan, Governor Harry F. Kelley recently convened the the problem.

The governor instructed the commission on corrections to study commission to ferret out the facts and figures on delinquency and be ready to present them at the next meeting. He said plans for combatting delinquency would be formulated at that time.

[illegible] Chairman [illegible] under deep emotional [illegible] melted the audience of [illegible] hundred people, who [illegible] crowded the Hotel La S[illegible] Ballroom, to tears with [illegible] following testimony:

"This Ballroom in which we [illegible] assembled years ago was known as the Louis the Sixteenth Room. You see all these medallions [illegible] Frenchmen, decorating the wa[illegible] and a bas relief on the ceiling which gives the crown of France with a fleur de lis. I asked [illegible] hotel people where the Louis [illegible] Sixteenth Room was and they [illegible]

[illegible] ... I was called ... I was ... to go to college ... I have ... to the Hotel La Salle from that day to this.

"The [illegible] address of Dr. Orr, exalting the Lord Jesus Christ [illegible] which has melted my heart [illegible] has the double connotation [illegible] of an anniversary of [illegible] and change from [illegible] to a life of service to the Lord Jesus Christ. I could not [illegible] this word of ..."

DR. HAROLD [illegible], Minister Park Street Ch[illegible], Boston, Mass.

[illegible] ... delegates to the constitutional convention for united evangelical action next.

Dr. John W. Bradbury, editor of the Northern Baptist Watchman-Examiner, contrasted the position of the evangelicals with "the great betrayal of American Protestantism by the Federal Council of Churches, the head of which at the time of the appointment of Myron C. Taylor as the Ambassador to the Vatican gave his personal consent to the President for the appointment. The Council ever since has not denounced the appointment, but has adopted the attitude 'let us wait and see.'

"Many of us are greatly concerned over the continued existence of the American Embassy to the Vatican," Bradbury continued. "For reasons of its own, the State Department, with the approval of the President, keeps open the Embassy to the Vatican providing the salaries of permanent employees of the diplomatic service at public expense, all of which is contrary to American tradition and to the requirements of our Constitution, for with all its pomp and glory, the Roman Catholic Church is but a sect in American ecclesiasticism, and the palace of the Bishop of Rome with its limited grounds can in no sense whatever be accepted as a sovereign state."

NORFOLK OBSERVES "COMPASSION DAY"

NORFOLK, Va.—The Norfolk Ministerial Union observed May 16 as "Compassion Day," recognizing persecutions of Jews in Axis-controlled countries, and expressing deep sympathy for their sufferings.

[illegible] ... to the annual meeting of [illegible]

Propaganda of Liquor [illegible] Branded Lie

Led by Dr. R. L. D[illegible], pastor of First Baptist Church, Fort Collins, Colorado, the committee branded liquor interest propaganda as misleading and dangerous, and

(See DECKER, page 7, col. [illegible])

YOUTH HEADQUARTERS TO LAUNCH NATIONAL EVANGELISM SURVEY

Upon recommendations of outstanding youth leaders, the Chicago Convention accepted the challenge to institute a directive agency to coordinate youth evangelism.

Under the leadership of George Kendall, United Youth Christian Committee, Washington, D. C., steps have been taken to not only recognize the increasing youth crime wave and increased spiritual delinquency but to cooperate with existing Christian youth organizations which have been making marked progress toward meeting the need in club and camp work among adolescent boys and girls, in testimony to high school age youth and employed young people, and in gospel witness among college and university students.

Plans are under way for a survey of all the existing agencies for youth evangelism and toward the establishment of an adequate national or regional headquarters which would provide expert advice, directional assistance, and organizational leadership to the individual church and community in effectively reaching their youth for Christ and activating them in Christian service.

[illegible] ... Representatives ... including ... composed ... were elected.

Clarence Bouma of [illegible] Calvin Seminary ... John W. Bradbury ... Watchman-Examiner ... Church, Fort Collins, Colo.; ... Providence Bible Institute ... Springfield, Mo., general ... Oak Park, Ill. ... Harry Hager, pastor of Chicago's Bethany Reformed Church; G. B. Huebert of Reedley, Cal., ... Mennonite Brethren Church; T. Christie Innis of Toronto, representing the Continuing Presbyterian Church, Canada; Albert Sidney Johnson of Orlando, Fla., Southern Presbyterian; ... Miami, Fla., ... Presbyterian; John L. ... of Ocburn, Ala., ... First Baptist Church; ... B. ... of Los Angeles, ... Hollywood Presbyterian Church; William ... of Quincy, ... United Presbyterian Church; J. Alvin Orr, ... College; ... Philips, ... Presbyterian Church, Baltimore, Md.; Paul S. Rees, ... Tabernacle Church, ... New York City, ... Christian and Missionary Alliance; W. L. ... superintendent of the ... Church; ... pastor of First Baptist Church, Altoona, Pa. ...

Words of Wisdom from Our National Leaders

"Millions of souls still unsaved, what more need be said? Let us start at Jerusalem and let us not stop until we have reached all souls."—Thomas J. Bach, Director Scandinavian Alliance Mission.

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"Do you know that the whole system of public education in England is one of the ..."

through it—the children of poverty and the Bible have never been taken out of it."—Dr. J. Wesley Brady, Toronto, Canada, Author of "This Freedom, Whence?"

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"I have just completed a brief history of Christian education in which I have traced the Sunday School ..."

movement because the Sunday School has lost prestige and power ever since."—Dr. Clarence Benson, ... of the Evangelical Teacher Training Association, Chicago, Illinois.

"Should we leave the problem of evangelical education with the ... divided with the family, or with the local organization? ... for the ..."

There is the question."—... Marston, Bishop Free Methodist Church, Greenville, ...

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"... can borrow a brain, but ... borrow a character."—... Cleveland, Tenn.

... of Bible College ...

lead them into an experience of real salvation, and because of the opportunity to put into their thinking the things that are vital and necessary."—Dr. Harry S. Jessup, Dean Chicago Evangelistic Institute, Chicago, Illinois.

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"Why don't you believe in one hundred per cent Christian ... from the ... to the top?"

tian and why not in primary grades? We cannot give the child up to the pagan influence in high school and the college."—H. ... Lindeger, Manitou Springs, Colo.

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"In our program of evangelization we must go to 'Rome,' ... and 'Corinth' as ... and then on into the ..."

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The Constitutional Convention

In October, 1941, about 15 men representing several denominations but all intent upon the preservation and propagation of "the faith of our fathers" met in Chicago to discuss ways and means to bring together for united action evangelical Christians. The issue of that gathering was a call for a meeting of a larger group which eventuated in a convention held in St. Louis, April 7-9, 1942. About 170 ministers and laymen at that place and time formed a temporary organization and called a constitutional convention to meet in Chicago, May 4-6, 1943.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found the Constitution and By-laws adopted at the May convention, a summary of the work of committees, and statements of general policies adopted and the names of the officers and members of the Board of Administration who were elected, which things are some of the outstanding cold facts.

But the convention was not cold.

Here were gathered more than 500 delegates or otherwise authorized participants and observers, representing about 2,000,000 evangelical church members and unofficially some millions more. And besides these there were several hundreds of part-time visitors. About sixty-five denominations, associations and groups were found in lists of delegations and their connections. Nearly all of the larger Protestant bodies of America were represented, as well as some dozens of the smaller ones.

Outstanding denominational leaders—great preachers and laymen—directed the course of this convention. The address of the president, Dr. Harold J. Ockenga, was the deliverance of an ecclesiastical statement with spiritual vision. Other prepared and extemporaneous speeches were revelations of insight and unusual ability.

An impressive feature of this gathering was the spirit of [illegible]ness shown in the wording of the Constitution, in the de[illegible], and in the representation given to larger and smaller [illegible]ominations in the selection of officers and the members of [illegible]ministration.

[illegible] was the safeguard [illegible] the heading [illegible] as a part of the Constitution, a por[illegible] reads: "To provide a medium for voluntary [illegible] action among the several groups of Evangelical Christians of America, without, however, exercise of executive or legislative control over the constituent members."

All denominations and groups are welcomed into mem-

N. A. E. GATHERING RANKS WITH GREAT CHURCH COUNCILS

The Chicago convention of evangelical leaders will unquestionably rank in importance with the great church councils which gave fixity to Christian doctrine. Determined to combat the secular anti-Christian emphasis of modern culture, the N. A. E. has become the largest gathering of conservative church leaders in the nation's history, with more than 700 delegates and visitors coming from the 48 states.

Secularism is Repudiated

The movement is a spontaneous effort to organize the 15,000,000 evangelicals in the United States who are not now identified with or properly represented by any interdenominational organization. With the forming of a permanent organization and the adoption of a constitution at the Chicago gathering, delegates representing 2,000,000 persons have set in motion waves of influence which will alter church history. The Chicago convention reiterated the historic Christian doctrines as against the humanism or compromised supernaturalism of contemporary culture. It repudiated secularism as a threat both to Christianity and democracy, and as responsible for the break-up in the moral fibre of America.

Fundamentals of the Faith Are Re-affirmed

As opposed to the liberal religious emphasis, the evangelicals insist upon the Bible as the inspired, infallible, authoritative Word of God; belief in the Christian Trinity, the deity of Christ, His virgin birth, sinless life, miracles, vicarious and atoning death, bodily resurrection, ascension, and His personal return in power and glory; belief in the exceeding sinfulness of human nature and in the absolute necessity of regeneration by the Holy Spirit for salvation; belief in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost—the saved to the resurrection of life and the lost to the resurrection of damnation; belief in the spiritual unity of believers in Christ.

Convention Makes Positive Approach

Delegates to the Chicago conference came from at least 50 denominations and many missionary and educational organizations and institutions, seeking a common ground and unity which will give representation to the "unvoiced evangelical majority." The movement's emphasis is positive, rather than negative, and hence its policy has been to [illegible] indiscriminate attacks upon the Federal [illegible] Churches, [illegible] leaders [illegible] that the Council is not evangelical in emphasis and therefore does not represent the nation's evangelical majority in Protestantism.

EDITORIAL POLICY TO BE SET BY OFFICIALS

OFFICIAL PUBLICATIONS BOOTH—Within a two-day period over four thousand subscriptions and one hundred and fifty inches of advertising were received by representatives of United Evangelical Action.

Delegates Crowd Convention Newspaper Desks To Subscribe for United Evangelical Action

The publication of this convention issue of United Evangelical Action marks the beginning of an editorial policy in which every effort will be made to keep the millions of interested evangelicals acquainted with steps in the development of the National Association of Evangelicals.

Special Committee on Publication Reports

After careful study of proposed plans the Executive Committee early in the national convention appointed a publications committee of three to investigate all suggested plans and to report to the convention body. This report was presented by chairman Walter Van Watson of Buffalo, New York, who stated that the committee [illegible] agreed that an expanded official periodical was necessary, that it should be launched at once, that [illegible] that very [illegible] expression [illegible] would back in a tangible way such a publication.

Thirty-Six Hundred Subscriptions Pledged

At this point Dr. Ockenga asked the convention to be circularized with subscription blanks and gave the delegates an opportunity to subscribe for themselves and for others to United Evangelical Action. Interest was of such a nature that out of the estimated 500 present over 3600 subscriptions were signed for with the understanding that the amount of one dollar for each would be sent to the business office of United Evangelical Action in the next ten days.

At the same time, the publication was opened for commercial advertising and the response on the part of Christian business men was just as acceptable. Within the next two days all available space for this convention issue was sold out and [illegible] able number of [illegible] carried over for the second publication.

Final Plan to be Announced Soon

Although the question as to whether the publication should be a weekly, a bi-weekly or a monthly was not a settled one and although the policy was not decided, officials of the National Association for Evangelicals are confident that the demonstration of approval as evidenced upon the report of the specified publications committee is approval not upon any one suggested plan but upon any reasonable plan which will keep the nation informed concerning this great national organization.

Cooperation of Subscribers and Advertisers Expected

It is the desire of all that subscriptions and advertising to United Evangelical Action be sent in just as quickly as possible and that the greatest possible assistance be given on the part of delegates and friends in getting in these subscriptions and [illegible].

WINONA LAKE TO BE SCENE OF THREE DAY PRAYER ASSEMBLY

1000 Ministers, 1000 Laymen, to Pray for Great World Revival

In times of war, Christian people have usually turned to God, their Refuge and Strength, and He has harkened unto their cry.

Now, in this war-torn world, Winona Lake calls to all Protestants in America to attend the first WAR-TIME GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR PRAYER, to be held July 6-7-8 in the Billy Sunday Tabernacle at Winona Lake, Indiana.

At least 1000 churches are expected to be represented, each sending its minister and one church official to the three day religious gathering.

There could not be a more thrilling or inspirational sight than 1000 ministers and laymen on their knees in the Tabernacle, praying for the peace of our nation and the safety of our fighting men and women. A tremendous crowd is expected to take part in this great mass prayer meeting, and to carry back to their homes throughout the country words of hope and faith.

The assembly promises to bring guidance, hope and new spirit and peace of mind to all who attend and join in its prayers. Such union and fellowship in prayer in war-time has divine sanction, and has had, since time immemorial, the good will of the national leaders.

Nationally known ministers and laymen of all denominations will conduct the prayer services, and singing will be led by prominent song leaders.

The All Day of Prayer will be held Wednesday, July 7th, the special meetings will be conducted on the evening of July 6th and on Thursday morning, July 8th. Services are open to the public, and relatives and friends of service men are particularly invited to attend.

Special prayers for men and women in the country's service will be offered if their names are brought into the meetings by relatives or friends or by the pastors or laymen, designated by individuals or churches.

Registrations and reservations should be arranged for as early as possible.

Christian people, who are eager for their church to be represented, should write to Arthur W. McKee, Executive Manager of the Winona Lake Christian Assembly, Inc., Winona Lake, Indiana.

Dickinson Donates To Schools

CHARLOTTE, Mich.—The late governor of Michigan, Luren D. Dickinson, who won fame in a cross-country spat with Mayor La-Guardia over what Dickinson called New York's "high life and sin," left a portion of his modest estate to four church-supported colleges.

Bob Jones College of Cleveland, Tenn., gets $2,000. A like amount goes to Huntington College of Huntington, Ind., Wheaton College of Wheaton, Ill., and Taylor University of Upland, Ind., were given $500 each.

CUBAN PATRIOT TELLS OF HIS CONVERSION IN A TROLLEY CAR

had been [illegible]. It was a perilous journey as we had to fight Spanish soldiers on the way. We finally reached the hut where we found

Soon we regained our strength. Then we went to live in a refugee camp for Cubans built by this same commander. My mother worked [illegible] tobacco factory and [illegible] to the Spanish soldiers. I had a [illegible] the evening meal to the owner of the drugstore since he could not find time to leave his business [illegible]

bacco. He bought and sold cattle and horses and soon had prospered in his business. He sent me to a country school nearby where I was able to continue my education. Also, at this time my father entered politics and held an important position with the Government.

Fourteen Year Old Boy Runs Father's Business

"During the summer of my twelfth year I worked in a clothing store which belonged to a friend of my father. It was this summer in which a political campaign was going on. One day as I was waiting on a customer, some men who were sitting in the store were making cutting remarks about my father. I became so angry that I picked up a large bottle, came near the man who was criticizing and slandering my father and struck him so hard on the head that he fell to the floor with a deep gash in his skull. I gave myself over to the police who notified my father. He paid the two dollars fine, took me home and gave me the good advice I needed. Soon afterward I was sent to Havana to attend school. My father was prospering in his tobacco business; but because of the intense work he had been doing, he took sick from a brain stroke. The doctors ordered him to have complete rest for a few months. There was no man with whom he could trust his business, so he called me from school when I was fourteen to run his business under his guidance. It was my responsibility to see that the ground was properly plowed and that the tobacco was given the right care as well as watch the financial end of the business.

At Sixteen Years of Age Lavastida Was Sent to U. S. To Get Away from Bad Company

"When my father regained health again, he was appointed captain [illegible] the Cuban standing army. [illegible] moved to the town in which he [illegible] his headquarters. I indulged [illegible] pleasure to such an extent that [illegible] father [illegible] I would become [illegible] T. B. case when I was only 16. [illegible] decided to send me to the United States in order to free me from bad company. When he bade [illegible]

... "To provide a medium for voluntary ... action among the several groups of Evangelical Christians of America, without, however, exercise of executive or legislative control over the constituent members."

All denominations and groups are welcomed into membership upon the one condition that they subscribe to the doctrinal statement. The constitutional provision above quoted assures every member organization that there will be no invasion of the rights and prerogatives of denominations, associations or local churches. Thus a matter of vital importance, not merely to one group but to all groups, has due safeguard.

The convention was not primarily negative but positive. The emphasis was upon the work which can be and will be done only through united action. And there was the formulation of the program for the doing.

Also those who love the Lord in sincerity were moved by the deep undertone of spirituality. One of the prayer meetings will never be forgotten. The addresses, prayers and worship periods were soul-stirring and satisfying.

The future will bring changes and perhaps improvements in the Constitution and methods of procedure.

But it is doubtful whether any later meeting will show a finer leadership, clearer vision or more Christian spirit than was found in this convention just past. May the future fulfill the fine prophecy of the convention of 1943.

All denominations and groups are welcomed into membership upon the one condition that they subscribe to the doctrinal statement. No doubt many would have desired to add to this statement declarations of things believed by themselves and similar organizations. However, the addition of such points of doctrine would not have been agreed to by some others and would have tended to division. That the participants in the convention could agree so far was cause for wonder and rejoicing. The various denominations will teach according to the "doctrinal statement," and add for themselves what they believe necessary and right.

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Members of church organizations should remember that a gift for raising money isn't half as important as a spirit for giving it.

It's true the Lord loves a cheerful giver, but the trouble is that too many people give cheerfully without giving generously.

A lot of self-made men have reason to be ashamed of their maker.

... that the Council is not evangelical in emphasis and therefore does not represent the nation's evangelical majority in Protestantism.

Broadcasting Policy Stirs to Action

No factor in recent years has crystallized sentiment for an evangelical unity more than the present system of time allotment for religious broadcasting on the large radio networks. The National Broadcasting Company refuses to sell time for religious broadcasts, but allots free time impartially to Jews, Catholics, and Protestants, dealing in each case with representative organizations. Since the Federal Council has been the accredited representative for Protestants, the great conservative wing of Protestantism has fared unsatisfactorily, the time being allotted largely to avowed modernists. The Columbia Broadcasting system has a slightly different method of allotting time, making its selection of "Church of the Air" speakers in consultation with denominational leaders and federations of churches in the various communities, but this works out almost as badly for evangelicals, the counsel of whose leaders is only infrequently sought. Like the National network, the Columbia chain refuses to sell time for religious programs. The Mutual system varies the Columbia plan for free time, the denominations being invited in rotation to furnish speakers for the "Chapel of the Air" program, time being allotted to the principal denominations in proportion to their constitutency. Since denominational leadership has fallen in the main into liberal hands, the evangelicals do not fare well under this plan either. However, the Mutual system sells time at regular commercial rates and most paid religious broadcasting throughout the nation is done by evangelicals. It is estimated that evangelicals alone pay well over $1,500,000 annually for religious time on the Mutual system, not counting their expenditure on local outlets.

Field of Service Outlined

The evangelicals contend that liberal forces have monopolized propaganda agencies because the conservatives have been until the present hour without cohesion and consequently without representation. The evangelical program will not devote its energies to attacks upon the Federal Council, but aims rather to organize the 15,000,000 church members including practically all Protestant groups not in Federal Council membership and also a large number of individual churches within denominations which are members of the Council, but which churches are not sympathetic with the Council's program.

CUBAN PATRIOT TELLS OF HIS CONVERSION IN A TROLLEY CAR

Brought to this country by American Evangelicals, Senor Lavastida, President of the Evangelistic Association of Cuba makes first hand study of the National Association of Evangelicals. Senor Lavastida is the native preacher on the widely heard CMQ network "Las Alas del Alba" program.

Parents Unwittingly Name Son After Apostle and Church Father

The first born of Manuel and Carolina Lavastida gave them the happiest Christmas Eve on December 24, 1888 on a tobacco farm ... the town of Guane, province ... Pinar del Rio. "They gave me the name of my two grandparents Bartholomew and Gregory. Without knowing it, they were giving ... the name of one of the apostles ... Christ and one of the church fathers. Both my grandparents were landowners and had many slaves to serve them. My father received a good education in the best Catholic schools in Belin, in ... city of Havana, Cuba. I was taught the first two grades of school ... my father since we were far from any school.

"Free Cuba" Were First Words Learned

"When the Cuban-Spanish War broke out, my father's sympathies were with the independents ... Cuba. Instead of teaching his ... boy to say "papa" he taught ... to say "Free Cuba." Whenever the Spanish soldiers visited ... home in the country my father would set me before them and would proudly shout "Free Cuba." My father headed a group of Cuban rebels against the pleadings of ... mother who was conscious of ... danger that she and her five children would meet. His only answer to her tearful pleadings was, "... children must live under their ... flag."

Family Was Removed To Hut in Woods

"Several times the Spanish soldiers tried to capture ... thinking that this would ... surrender of my father ... safety we moved to ... the heart of a wood... father kept us in hi... planted sweet potato... kins. With that ... visions we had suffi... a few months. My ... that he must again ... if they were going ... tion. In a far dis... his eldest brother ... a hut in the de... woods. Because ... guards, he could only take us one by one to this new hiding place. I was the first to go. Before the rest of my family were brought there, our other relatives had come there for protection too, so it was not wise for my parents to come as they had planned. I lived in this new hiding place for some time away from my parents. Soon the food was gone and everyone of us had to hunt for his own daily provision. With my cousin of the same age I used to hunt birds, opossums, and gather wild fruits. I became ill with malaria fever which, weakened me so much that I could not move very far to look for food. Near the hut were a few wild almond trees. I would crawl on my hands and knees a distance of a block to reach the almonds that had fallen to the ground from the tree. Then I would pound them against two stones to get the almond inside. The fever continued to sap my energy until I did not have strength to even break the nuts open. My clothes were badly torn and almost gone as they had been damaged from the hunting I had done in the woods for food. My hair had grown very long, and because I was so weak from malaria I had been unable to wash myself. Thus, lice lived in my hair and multiplied there.

Father Found Son at Point of Starvation

"At this time my father, not knowing my true condition, started out to bring me back to his hut in our first hiding place since he had sufficient food for his family. He took with him two soldiers armed with one revolver and three machetes. He made this trip of many miles on horseback. I had been dying for three days when he came. He found me lying unconscious in the hut. Starvation and the fever had left me nothing but skin and bones. My body was filthy from lack of cleanliness. My father, overcome by my horrible condition, said to one of the soldiers, "I want my boy, at least, ... clean." They secured some ... leaves which they boiled. ... water they bathed my ... my father had cut my ... knife, he boiled some ... he had obtained on ... me. This warm milk ... by drops. The milk and ... had brought me to life, ... not until two days after... I realized my father had ... Within a short while ... out on the trip back to ... hiding place in the woods ... mother and the family had been kept. It was a perilous journey as we had to fight Spanish soldiers on the way. We finally reached the hut where we found my mother and the children in good health. Mother wept bitterly on seeing her son just skin and bones.

Three Sons Were Buried Side by Side

"Soon after I had returned to my parents, our milk cows were stolen from us and the Spanish persecution was so severe that it was hard to get food from other sources. Starvation set in and with that followed malaria fever. Because I was used to very little food, I could eat potato vines and grass just as I had done in the second hiding place, but my mother and brothers were not able to do without food and soon were overcome by disease and starvation. My father alone dug the graves of three of my brothers and he buried them one by one. The day he came from giving burial to the last one of my brothers, he found me beside the wood fire trying to warm myself from the fever chills which shook my body. My mother lay unconscious and near death in the hut. His only words were: "Son, I have marked the place where I am going to bury you and your mother, and then I will place myself in the thickest of the battle. Then all the Lavastida family will have been offered for the freedom of Cuba." A few weeks later my mother was better and my father left us to look for some food. In the meantime some Spanish soldiers came and took us captive. When my father returned to the hut and found us gone, he was certain that we had met death. Discovering that my father was a Cuban Captain they took mother and I to the nearest town where the order was given that we should be shot that night. One of the Spanish soldiers who used to visit our home when I was about four years old was then an officer in this regiment of the Spanish army. He asked to have permission to be the one who would execute us. He took us out that night to kill us accompanied by several soldiers. He stationed the soldiers at a certain place and said that he now would shoot us. Instead he gave my mother, when we were out of sight, a sealed envelope telling her that he was a friend of my father and he meant to save us. We were to walk by night and hide by day until we reached this certain town where we were to hand this letter to the commander of the same who was his friend and would protect us. We found the commander to be a very kind man. A generous lady of this town gave my mother a room where she could sleep. Other Cubans gave us food and clothing ...

... had a ... the evening meal to the owner of the drugstore since he could not find time to leave his business. His wife would often give me food to take home to my mother. On Christmas Eve she gave me some of the Christmas food and candy to share with my mother. The town was surrounded by a deep trench and barbwire fence and outside of this was the refugee camp. I walked home whistling in the moonlight knowing that my mother would be pleased with these extra goodies. There were Spanish guards all along the road. As I neared the camp a Spanish guard halted me. Unknowingly and to my own danger, I answered the halt with "Free Cuba." A soldier hastily called out, "Don't shoot him! He is the little boy whose mother lives in the refugee home."

Family Prospers in Postwar Era

"A year later my mother and father met for an interview in the woods. Shortly afterward we fled to the woods again to be with my father for the duration of the war. My father came out of the war as a Lieutenant Colonel. He rented some property and planted to-...

... decided to send me to the United States in order to free me from bad company. When he bade me farewell at the boat he asked me to so live that I would always honor his name and my country. I solemnly promised to do so. This pledge to my father whom I loved so dearly kept me from the dangers and vices that surround young men without God. I became a very staunch Catholic and went to mass every Sunday and to confession every month.

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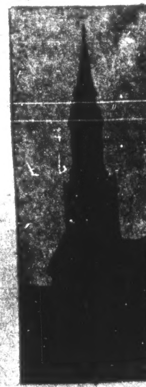

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Rev. Orr's Statement of Objectives Stirs Convention

Says Articles of Faith Based on Apostles Creed

(Delivered Wednesday Night in the Ball Room at Hotel LaSalle, at the Constitutional Convention.)

You can and will, I believe, understand the reluctance and embarrassment with which I speak. Because of the fact that I am only a substitute, learning less than forty-eight hours ago that in my absence from the meeting of the Executive Committee, this place was assigned to me on the program.

Delightfully informing, strong and compact, have been the addresses in this Convention. Relying on your prayers for me as I speak, let us seek to know even more fully the way in which our Savior and Lord may, and will, use us to His glory. I feel lead to speak somewhat further tonight as to the nature and purpose of this Evangelical Association. These words from the word of God keep recurring in my mind.

We Are Called to Crusade For Christ

Our men in our Army and Navy are fighting these very enemies and powers incarnate in military arm and prowess. It is high time for the Church of Christ to go forth like a Mighty Army, for we are called to nothing less than a Crusade for Christ. Our foes are the powers of spiritual darkness.

Yes, I am persuaded that the Spirit of the Lord is lifting up a banner, to which all who love Christ as the very Son of God, our only Savior, should now repair.

Prayer Dominates Convention

It was my privilege and blessing to be in the prayer meeting at St. Louis before the opening hours of that Conference. Again and again, my heart there went out in joyous gratitude to God for the evident presence of the Holy Spirit, and again, it has been my great privilege and blessing to bow with the throngs in this hotel Monday evening, before the sessions of this Convention began. Truly our joy and assurance were blessedly sweet, as we knew the presence and the leading of the Holy Spirit in those hours.

Spontaneity and Unanimity Evidence Longing for Such Fellowship

Moreover, the rise of this movement is remarkable in its spontaneity and unanimity. What wholeheartedness has been in evidence. What oneness in Christ is apparent here. Surely, this is strong evidence that there are in the Churches of Christ in America [illegible] of evangelical [illegible] who long [illegible] as devout [illegible]. They poig[illegible] [illegible] can ad[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] flesh [illegible] humanity [illegible] need of knowing, [illegible] following the truth [illegible] the Word of

God, brought to men, and this inarticulate and unvoiced multitude knows that Christ can, and will, build his Church only upon the foundation he laid in Himself and in his Gospel. The origin and rise of the Evangelical Association is marked by the spirit led cohesiveness or spiritual unity evident in this great company met here tonight. Thus we are assured that the Spirit of the Lord, Himself, is lifting up a banner now.

Articles of Faith Constitute Redeclaration of Apostles' Creed

Another outstanding evidence of the leading of the Holy Spirit is before us in the happy readiness, as I believe evidenced when we adopted, as we did this afternoon, an adequate and necessary doctrinal basis for this Association. So many denominations and organizations are here represented with varying views as to some articles of faith, a truly blessed spirit has prevailed, as with wholehearted devotion our statement of faith has been presented and adopted, as an essential element in this movement. This statement is nothing less and nothing other than a redeclaration of apostolic faith or of the faith of the apostolic church. Let me present, for the sake of some who were not here in the Convention session, these articles of our faith:

One: "We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible authoritative word of God." On that position, Protestantism must rest if she is to continue to be the Church of Christ.

Two: "We believe there is one God, as eternally existent in three persons—the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit."

Three: "We believe in the Deity of Christ, in his virgin birth, in his sinless life, in his miracles, in his vicarious and atoning death, in his bodily resurrection, his ascension to the right hand of the Father and in his personal return in power and glory." This is our clear affirmation of our faith in the Deity of Christ, not merely his Divinity. There are those who declare that they believe in the Divinity of Christ Jesus, meaning by this that both we and He have Divinities, but asserting that the Divinity which is in Christ is present in larger measure than in any other [illegible]

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does other than hold to this faith has the just right to claim to represent the Protestant Church. Human "creeds" may be discounted by some, but it ever remains true that the Protestant Church of the Sixteenth Century was a return to sound Biblical theology, asserting that the Scriptures are the infallible word of God, the truth of justification by faith and the truth of the priesthood of believers, and we believe it impossible to have the Church of Christ, unless it be a church that believes and proclaims that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; that is, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself. I should like next to reiterate the fact that this Association proposes to be thoroughly democratic in its operation, its purpose at no time being to conflict with the functions and prerogatives of its member bodies. This is highly important and is truly essential in this Association. It is designed to be a means of making articulate and vocal the vast number of Christians in our land who hold the apostolic doctrines and evangelical believers must unite to prevent apostasy and to enter aggressively and effectively upon the tremendous opportunities and duties of the Christian Church just ahead of us.

We Are Not Seeking to Bring About Organic Union

In a further paragraph I should like to say that this Association has no disposition to bring about organic union of Protestant Churches, although it devoutly seeks that unity for which Christ [illegible]

either the spokesman, the representative, or the agents of the Christian Church.

Orr Makes Plea for Evangelism, Missions, and Christian Education

And now I wish to make a plea that we in this Association put evangelism, missions and Christian education in the very van and forefront of our purposes and efforts. Other fields of endeavor are not to be disparaged. All of them as presented by other speakers and set before us in our constitution are of first rate importance but I should like to hold up the conviction that in the fields of bringing lost men to Christ, both in America and all over the world, and this is evangelism and missions, and Christian education are the most essential places of activity for this Association. I believe the primary mission of the Church of Christ is the bringing of the lost to know Christ in God. Is not that having the mind of Jesus? Who can ever get away from the incident recorded in the 20th chapter of John, concerning the appearance [illegible] His disciples in the [illegible] after His [illegible] quite sure [illegible] [illegible] ways remember and [illegible] would be [illegible] in the [illegible] mind of the [illegible]

Pulpit Career Draws Unusual Number of Men

safely onto the beach here. Then the captain cut the anchor line and they fought their way back with these thirteen men, bringing them to safety.

Well, we who were standing by in little groups caught up these rescued men and this crew on our shoulders and carried them along the beach, shouting and singing for joy that 13 men had been brought off from a watery grave. Then I went to my room. Kneeling by my bed I said to God in prayer, "Father, I am preparing for the Christian ministry. If I believe literally Thy Holy Word, hundreds of men all about me are sinking, not to a watery grave, but into eternal death, and I do not seem to care much nor to be moved. O Christ, give me a heart like Thine and give me a passion all of my days for men who are eternally lost." Well, I have not had that passion in the constancy and power with which it should have been present, but I have always recognized it as my need. Brethren, I believe this to be the need for all of us who are heralds of the Gospel of Christ. The supreme primary purpose of the Church of Christ is to draw lost men to God!

We Need A Pentecostal Revival

And we believe, do we not, that a mighty revival from on high can be had if the Church will pay the price, or had I better say, will meet the conditions and surely nothing less than that is adequate to meet the tremendous need and the challenging opportunity of this day and the years just ahead. The revival that we seek is not merely "the use of methods of revivalism to press the social claims of religion" as another organization professes, but a Pentecostal revival that will lead men to cry out, "What must I do to be saved?"

Penitently we make the honest confession that the Church has not been able to cope with the secularism, the flood of immorality, greed, unbelief, and war as she should have been able to meet it. Is it true that "Like a mighty army, moves the Church of God"? Is the Church "Fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners?" Only, by a true [illegible] that [illegible] Christianity [illegible]

Despite Wartime, Youth Attracted to Life Of Service

FROM denominational headquarters all over the nation come reports that despite the draft, the lure of sky-high wages in war industries, and other factors that tend to divert young people, there is an unprecedented interest in the Christian ministry as a career.

Standards Maintained

The long-time rule that a man must have a college and seminary education before admittance in full, has been suspended, and candidates with less education are being accepted.

This does not mean, however, that the church is dropping its standards, he hastened to point out. The change was brought about because the commission "found that a minister's effectiveness does not depend entirely upon his educational equipment."

INTERVIEWS—

(Continued from page 1)

THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON US

"My impression of the convention is that the spirit of the Lord has been manifest throughout in the fellowship which has been demonstrated among a number of varying beliefs and ideas and principles. I believe that the Lord is leading in the convention and the movement represented by the convention of Evangelicals for United Action."

REV. WM. H. CLARK, Highland Park Baptist Church, Portsmouth, Va.

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RUSSIAN URGES US TO ENJOY OUR PRIVILEGES

"My impressions during this convention were very strong and I wonder whether these American delegates and visitors here realize what an unusual privilege it is to be able to gather in such form for the free deliberation of the things of the spirit. I am coming from a land called Russia, a mysterious land in some things and no question that the time will come in Russia when we shall have conventions like this. But not now. Pray for Russia and enjoy your privileges and glory in the [illegible]."

J. V. [illegible], Russian Missionary Service, Philadelphia, Pa.

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WHICH?

"A young boy was rather mischievous, perhaps with some violence in it. His teacher finally lost patience and shook him very severely and said, 'What in the world are you going to be when you get big?' He said, 'I am going to be a missionary.' The teacher said, 'God doesn't want anyone like you to be a missionary.' And then he said, 'Well then, I will be a burglar. It just depends.' 'Depends on what?' 'On who gets me first. If God does, I will be a missionary and if the devil gets me first I will be a burglar.' Do not forget the message of salvation is vitally important to children."
—*Dr. Thomas Baldwin Shelden, Lakeland, Florida.*

Speak gently to the erring ones,
They must have toiled in vain;
Perchance unkindness made them so;
O win them back again.

—*David Bates.*

TITHING STILL WORKS

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If church suppers, bazaars and gambling are not the answer, then what is? Our suggestion is tithing.

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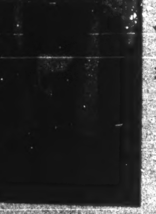

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Four: "We believe that because of man's lost and sinful condition, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely necessary under salvation."

Five: "We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit, by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life."

Six: "We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost. They that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation."

Seven: "We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in Christ."

Doctrinal Position is Clear and Understandable

Thus, the doctrinal position of the Association is clear. Everyone can understand this: We here embody the faith, once for all delivered to the saints. No organization which [illegible] must unite to [illegible] and to enter [illegible] ly upon the [illegible] opportunities and duties of the [illegible] Church [illegible]

[illegible] About Organic Union

In a further paragraph I should like to say that this Association has no disposition to bring about organic union of Protestant Churches, although it devoutly seeks that unity for which Christ prayed. It is a long and unwarranted stretch of wishful thinking that leads anyone to say that when Christ prayed "that they all may be one, as Thou Father are in me and I in thee," that Christ was praying for the organic union of denominational churches; Christ was making no petition that He or the Father should lose Their identity. Dr. Marcus Dobbs, speaking of this Scripture, says this: "That prayer of Jesus belongs to a very different category and much higher religion." This Association is a fellowship in faith and action, seeking to encroach upon the prerogatives of no members in it.

Evangelicals Hold to the Full Gospel

But it is pronouncedly Evangelical and all participating must be such, and right here is the place to say that we used that word in its original and full and proper sense. By evangelicals we mean those who hold to the full Gospel as set forth by Christ, including the truth that by nature, man is in a sinful and lost condition and is saved only by grace, which is bestowed of God through faith in Christ, as the very Son of God and the Lamb of God, together with the necessity of regeneration by the Holy Spirit, and thus only do men ever become the Sons of God. Into this Association, all who so believe are earnestly invited to come.

Truly we believe in the social mission of the Gospel and in a most practical Christianity. The message of the New Testament prophet, that of John the Baptist, permeates the Gospel of Christ. The Church of Christ must stand against all social injustice and evil and ever seek to establish both righteousness and love among men, but the Kingdom of God can never come on earth by social planning, economic adjustments, removal of ignorance, improvement of human nature.

This is to by-pass affirmation of the essentials of the gospel of redeeming grace and it spells the evisceration of the gospel of the Son of God, and those Christian organizations who so do will always have a spiritually anemic organization. They are futile as an agent to promote apostolic Christianity and it is absurd, if not tragic, for them to purport to be [illegible]

[illegible] to them [illegible] ways remember and [illegible] would be most likely [illegible] as the paramount thought [illegible] mind of the risen Christ [illegible] which He said to them, I say [illegible] this, "As my Father has sent me, even so send I you." And while Jesus expressed His mission in several ways, stating that he was the Revelation of God among us and other aspects of his earthly mission, is it not correct to say that the proper summary of the entire mission of Christ is expressed through His own words when He said, "I came to seek and to save that which was lost." That then is the primary mission of the Church of Christ and would that God might in this Chicago meeting baptize us anew with the Holy Spirit and with fire in this Passion of winning the lost to Christ.

The Primary Purpose of Church Should Be to Draw Lost Men to God

Brethren, is it not true that in great degree we have lost the passion for souls? Are we very much disturbed about the lostness of men, both here in America and all over the world? Are we disturbed greatly about those who are going out into eternal darkness without Christ? I shall never forget an experience which was mine in the year while I was preparing for the Christian ministry. I'd gone to Atlantic City for two or three days of quietness and rest. Sleeping in a hotel, close by the boardwalk, that night in February, I was wakened by the sound of howling winds and roaring seas. Rising from my bed, pressing my hand against the pane of the window I looked out upon the sea and saw rockets shooting into the air. I knew what that meant. Hastily dressing, I ran down to the beach. There in the grey of the now dawning morning were three life-saving crews, each one of them saying that it was impossible to breast the sea. The steamer, Cherokee by name, bearing a cargo of fruit from the Indies to New York City, had gotten out of its course, was being pounded by the winds and the waves on a sandbar. Thirteen men were aboard. They were doomed, it seemed, to death. The life-saving crew said it was impossible to go to their rescue, then came another life-saving crew. The captain was a Norwegian. He said to the men, "It's dangerous, will you go?" "Aye, Aye, Sir," was the answer from all of them.

We watched them push their boat out into the surf and climb into it and climb over those mountaining waves, until coming within reasonable distance of the Cherokee they dropped their anchor, [illegible] and a pulley onto the Ch[illegible]

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I quote Dr. Ockenga who said this to us a year ago: "The division is no longer between denominations, the division is between those who believe in Christ and the Bible and those who reject the Christ of the Bible. This is the time to forget our denominational differences and join together with the Crucified One. Calvary should be our meeting place. There let us jointly bow our heads in praise and thanksgiving. There let us unite for His Glory. Today, our people may be without God; tomorrow they may turn against God—Woe to him who bears the responsibility of that terrible tragedy." This then be our battle-cry—"I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto Salvation to everyone that believeth." All glory, honor and power be unto Him, "Who hath loved us and loosed us from our sins in His own blood." The entire world is being shaken, our Army and Navy are fighting the enemy incarnate in military men and prowess. The same enemy seeks by crafty strategy to maim and weaken and frighten and defeat the Church of Christ by subtle apostasy, but ours is a wholehearted devotion to a confidence in the King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, and may our love for Him because of His sacrificial love for us lead us to present our bodies and our spirits a living sacrifice which is our reasonable service.

A prince of India was lying on his deathbed only 18 months after he had come to Christ; lying in the glass sun parlor of his palace. The setting sun threw its color across his bronze face. A friend in the room, seeing the dying man's lips moving, stooped over him with great eagerness to hear what it might be he was saying, but this was what he said, "None but Jesus, none but Jesus is worthy to have the diadem of India, and He shall have it." Yes, brethren, none but Jesus, none but Jesus, none but Jesus, is worthy to have the diadem of India, and of America, and of Asia and of Africa and of the islands of the sea, and He shall have it, but, brethren, let us help Him get that crown as quickly as possible and cover that brow, once scarred by thorns that He might make your salvation and mine possible. Let us do all in our power as quickly as possible to crown Him Lord of all.

[illegible] in some things and at [illegible] that the time will come in Russia when we shall have conventions like this. But not now. Pray for Russia and enjoy your privileges [illegible] them."

J. V. NEPRASH, Russian Missionary Service, Philadelphia, Pa.

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REV. JAMES T. RIDER, Pastor of the Ruggles Street Baptist Church, Boston, Mass.

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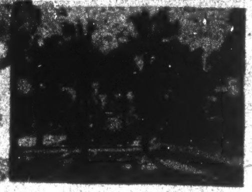

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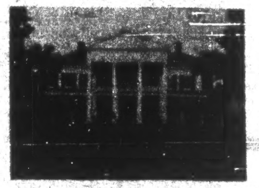

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World's Need for Christian Adherence Greatest in History

Dr. Bradbury Makes Plea For Greater Christian Unity

(Message delivered Tuesday, May 4th, 8:30 p. m., Illinois Room, Hotel La Salle, Chicago, Illinois.)

The philosophic foundations of the movement represented by the National Association of Evangelicals for United Action need to be established upon a sure footing. It is necessary for evangelicals to understand what this movement is, and what it aims to do. To bring out this understanding, I address myself to the task of defining the fundamental facts, conditions and propositions which explain the need for the creation of such an organization. There are four facts which are self-evident to which I call your attention.

Protestantism Is Divided

Protestantism is definitely and somewhat hopelessly divided into two parts: (1) Those who have departed from the true Christian tradition; (2) Those who adhere to the Christian tradition without equivocation or reservation. The former class is represented in the modernism which has invaded the Christian church. The latter are known as evangelicals because of their responsible and clear affirmation regarding the evangel committed to the Christian church by our Lord Jesus Christ.

Division Makes Impotent

The division within the ranks of Protestants and evangelicals renders the non-Roman Catholic Christian groups impotent. Although they number nearly fifty million people in this country, their collective influence is not commensurate with their numbers. The Roman Catholic hierarchy claims a Catholic population in this country of twenty-three million. Even if the numbers should be exaggerated, it nevertheless remains that they possess a solidarity by means of which they are able to accomplish their own purposes. Non-Roman Catholics are at a disadvantage and are unable to accomplish objectives common to all their interests because of the divisions within their ranks.

Twenty-Four Million Evangelicals Unrepresented

The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America has an affiliated constituency of some twenty-three million. The total membership in Protestant and evangelical churches and missions, et cetera, approximates the figure of forty-seven million. Allowing the Federal Council some twenty-three million, there still remain some twenty-four million people of evangelical persuasion which have no representation in federated or cooperative activity.

We Must Find Basis of Unity

It is for the purpose of establishing a means of cooperative effort in interests common to each and all that we now endeavor to find a basis of Christian unity. It is intended, therefore, to bring into [illegible] communion and fraternal cooperation the twenty-four or more millions of evangelicals in the United States in order that they may have their own clearing house and means of coming together in voluntary [illegible]

[illegible] may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me" (John 17:20-23).

We know perfectly well our Lord did not have in mind the organic unions that men have invented from time to time and are still inventing, but a vital spiritual unity which primarily is derived from God in answer to the prayer of Christ and the cooperative efforts of the children of God.

Federal Council Advocates Ecumenical Church

In the Federal Council Bulletin for March it is advocated that there should be an ecumenical church—a world-wide ecclesiastical organization with power and authority to speak for Christianity. When this is considered in relation to the high-sounding praise which is now being given to the Vatican hierarchy and the steadfast efforts at rapprochement between certain elements of Protestantism who seem to have forgotten what Protestantism has ever stood for and the Roman Catholic Church, it is evident that those who believe in organic church union are taking advantage of the present world situation to emphasize and achieve their objectives. These people overlook the fact that Christians do not have to be tied up in one world-wide ecclesiastical organization to present a united front to the world. Organic union is not essential to unity of purpose on the part of the churches. Each denomination has its own particular form of belief. There are differences of opinion as to what is the best form of church organization and also there are differences on how the ordinances should be administered, but they all believe that God is righteous and sovereign Lord of all and that sin is a disgrace in the universe. There is but one Bible for the Christian, as there is also but one mission, and that is to preach the gospel to every creature and to teach all nations the revelation of Christ.

There was a time when denominations were antagonistic towards each other. They magnified points [illegible]

DR. JOHN W. BRADBURY, Editor
Watchman-Examiner, New York, N. Y.

which the state of the church required and which resulted in schismatic consequences. Others, we may simply say, grew up of themselves, like Topsy. As it is not easy to uproot trees that have been planted for a great many years and guarantee that they will continue to live, so it is not feasible to uproot the denominational growths to force an artificial organic union. Therefore, the proponents of organic church union should quit trying to force the various denominations into an ecclesiastical hegemony in which the conscience of the individual believer would be stultified and in which discipline would ultimately take the place of persuasion.

Evangelicals Seek Brotherhood Of Christ

Evangelicals are seeking to establish a brotherhood in Christ. We aim to gather together a great host of believers who will work together in those areas of mutual cooperation for the benefit of interests common to all. Thus individual denominations can carry on their own work without any uneasiness and still be members of the Association of Evangelicals for the one great purpose of evangelizing the nations and following the leadership of the Holy Spirit. In those endeavors in which we may [illegible]

of our American people, until the day shall return that there shall not be a dearth of the Word of God in the land, and men shall no longer scorn its teachings.

We Insist On Christian Charity On Non-Essential Differences

No statement or action shall offend or discredit the particular ecclesiology of each affiliated group. None shall be admitted whose ecclesiology is not acceptable, and therefore there should be no argument. By that I mean that no body standing for union of church and state, either here or anywhere else in the world, would be qualified for membership in this Association. We must remember that congregational and corporate distinctions are distinctions and not differences. Some denominations have no centralized form of corporate government at all, but, like the Baptists, for instance, practice a democratic and voluntary fellowship, retaining to the local church full autonomy. On the other hand, there are those church bodies which believe that local churches are but parts of the great corporate church, and therefore there is at the head of such organizations a strong discipline and centralized administration. Between these two extremes there are many distinctions. [illegible]

schools of training within our own ranks to accomplish that facility of expression and accomplishment whereby we shall become efficient in all that we are attempting to do.

I ask you now to consider with me the possible fields of cooperation. The first of these concerns matters of church and state. We here and now pronounce our devotion to the great principle of separation of church and state.

Organization Will Insist On Continued Separation of Church And State

But we also realize that no idealistic principle can survive of itself. This is not a world in which idealisms live simply by virtue of their own existence. We have seen again and again in history how that which is high and good has been prostituted and debased, and in some cases destroyed. It is our firm purpose that the principle of the separation of church and state shall not in this country, so far as we are able to prevent it, suffer such a fate. We have witnessed in recent years many depressing evasions of the constitutional prohibition concerning the use of tax money for sectarian ends. There are states in the Union in which the people's money is employed by devious means to foster sectarian aims. In the sovereign State of New York, the constitution of that State has been amended to provide tax money for services to sectarian schools.

American Embassy to Vatican Constitutes a Threat

Just now, many of us are greatly concerned over the continued existence of the American Embassy to the Vatican. For reasons of its own, the State Department, with the approval of the President, keeps open the Embassy to the Vatican providing the salaries of permanent employes of the diplomatic service at public expense, all of which is contrary to American tradition and to the requirements of our Constitution, for with all its pomp and glory, the Roman Catholic Church is but a sect in American ecclesiasticism, and the palace of the Bishop of Rome with its limited grounds can in no sense whatever be accepted as a sovereign state. We shall therefore cooperate among ourselves to voice the indignation and desire of evangelicals throughout the United States to demand of our government that it cease this invasion of Constitutional provision, that it close the Vatican Embassy, and that it cancel the appointment of even so much as a personal ambassador of the President to the Pope.

In contrast with our position in this matter we have the great betrayal of American Protestantism by the Federal Council of Churches, the head of which at the time of the appointment of Myron C. Taylor as the Ambassador to the V[illegible]

WHY?

Dr. A. N. Burkey on sabbatical leave from Columbia University recently said, "Why are you here? to pass a few platitudes, go on record for certain things? Unless God performs a miracle this generation is doomed. There is absolute necessity of calling on God for a miracle. I remember that my mother was one who believed in the Bible as the Word of God. Do you read it that way? She talked about the new birth. What do you mean by it? Do you have it? She told of old fashioned evangelistic meetings asking for enduement of the Holy Spirit. Men in those meetings got up in their ignorance and spoke with the power of the Holy Ghost."

tian missionary enterprise and missionaries. As denominations, we have our own missionaries and our own organizations, but we are emerging into a new day in regard to the unreached portions of the earth. The growth of missionary cooperation between denominations in recent years has been most rapid. There is need for it to continue and increase in speed. In a short while we may be a hundred or more denominations massed together in this National Association of Evangelicals, but it will hardly seem feasible for us to exercise any competitive endeavor in the areas where we mutually work. It ought to be possible for us to pool our resources of money and personnel in order to reach more effectively the people in our various fields. Here is an activity for us to explore, something we might develop, and reveal to the world a missionary passion and efficiency that will lead us to the greatest work of evangelization we have yet seen.

Past Incompetency In Moral Reform Should Stir Us To Action

The fourth possible field of cooperation is that of moral reform. I suppose that there is common to us all a great sense of disillusionment over our lack of capacity to prevent the repeal of prohibition. Our incompetence in moral matters for the nation is further manifested in our inability to arrest the condition brought about by repeal. Our weakness is even more emphasized in regard to our almost unanimous protest against the conditions that have been established around the various training camps throughout the country. These camps, to which we have sent our sons, our brothers, and our fathers, have been easy prey for the pampered vendors of the liquor traffic, and its vile accompaniment, prostitution. Had the National Association been in existence at the time the protest was made, we no doubt could [illegible]

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evangelists who have been going to and fro throughout the land, nevertheless the truth remains that evangelism as an undertaking to reach the masses of the people with the Gospel of Christ is a neglected opportunity. By our massing together the evangelistic conviction of the evangelicals of our country we shall be able to stimulate interest—local, community, and national—in the great cause of winning the unsaved for Christ. Here is presented to us one of the greatest fields of endeavor. If we have vision, consecration, and courage enough, we may add to the evangelical churches of our country millions of new Christian church members within the next few years.

We Must Protect the Christian Sabbath

The seventh possible field of cooperation is the preservation of the American Sabbath. We have seen the steady breakdown of the traditional American Sabbath. The godless in the land have assaulted this institution and to serve their own selfish ends have done it incalculable harm. The churches which a generation ago in large numbers of communities had no competitors must now compete with Sunday movies, open stores, commercialized sports, gambling, races of various kinds, and a whole [illegible]

do?" Whatever we become organizationally, we must not lose the passion and the reverence with which this movement has begun. We must not cease to be a vast host of people who believe primarily and fundamentally in prayer and learn to wait upon God, but never to substitute waiting for action when he commands us to [illegible] We must march forward with the Word of God in our minds, in our hearts, and upon our lips. We [illegible] undertake with the conviction that righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people. We must take away from the high-brow modernists the sneering statement that evangelical Christians are not interested in social progress, but demonstrate to them what history has always proved, that those who hold to the [illegible] faith are actuated by the highest motives for human welfare. We must convince the sceptic that for one to hold the evangelical [illegible] is not incompatible with the highest humanitarian interests. [illegible] we must preserve [illegible] We must watch [illegible] who have ever [illegible] Christ [illegible]

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There was a time when denominations were antagonistic towards each other. They magnified points of difference. Their leaders indulged in theological debates. Religious journalism of those days chiefly concerned itself with controversial discussions. The pulpit became simply an opportunity to denounce those who disagreed. In those days, such bitterness developed that a most un-Christian attitude was manifested between Christian believers. It was not a pleasant situation, and we are glad that that day is gone. In our day, religious freedom means something much better. We not only concede to everyone the right to his own faith, but we are determined to defend him in the exercise of that right. Toward all true believers in Christ we have the feeling of spiritual kinship. While the denominations work as separate units, it is nevertheless true that we are now done with animosity, prejudice, or antagonism toward those who differ from us on denominational grounds.

We must be prepared to recognize that the various denominations historically have their root disunctions. Some are the descendants of immigrants who came to these shores seeking for religious liberty. Others owe their existence to some emphasis upon truth of believers who will work together in those areas of mutual cooperation for the benefit of interests common to all. Thus individual denominations can carry on their own work without any uneasiness and still be members of the Association of Evangelicals for the one great purpose of evangelizing the nations and following the leadership of the Holy Spirit in those endeavors in which we may mutually engage.

We come now to a consideration of the principles governing our unity. We have not been brought to this present hour merely as the result of secular enthusiasm. Those who have hitherto engaged in this great cause have done so under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, in full assurance that what they were undertaking God wished them to undertake. As we have begun, we are determined to continue. As it was said in the New Testament, "it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us," so must it be in this hour. We must with reverence and obedience follow the lead of the Holy Spirit in everything we undertake to do.

We Believe In Trustworthiness Of the Bible

We are to believe in the Bible. We are to believe in its inspiration and authority. We are to believe in it as the reliable norm of the Christian's creed and conduct. We are not to hold the Book as the dupes of higher criticism hold it—a tattered collection of religious fragments evolved in the religious development of the race and, consequently, presumably full of superstitions and unreliabilities. No, we are to hold this Book in the faith that it has God for its author, the Holy Spirit for its interpreter, and the Lord Jesus Christ in his great work of redemption as its subject. It will be this Book that shall be the manner of our counsel, the light upon our pathway, the illumination for all our darkness, the satisfaction for all our needs, and the assurance, under God, of our destiny. This Book, we hope by our united efforts to restore to its pristine glory in the schools of learning throughout the land and in the millions of homes [illegible]cratic and voluntary fellowship, retaining to the local church full autonomy. On the other hand, there are those church bodies which believe that local churches are but parts of the great corporate church, and therefore there is at the head of such organizations a strong discipline and centralized administration. Between these two extremes there are many distinctions. Whatever they are, we are not organizing to use this Association to interfere with these viewpoints.

Democracy Is To Be Preserved By Close Cooperation

It shall be the practice for the central body of the National Association of Evangelicals to memorialize its constituencies, and vice versa, concerning any issue requiring due consent and cooperation. This will assure that the principle of democracy is to be preserved. Each unit in the organization will feel free to exert its influence and to exercise its prerogatives if at any time it feels it has something of value for the welfare of all.

All Official Pronouncements Must Be Approved by Central Body

No ex cathedra pronouncements shall be given out by the central body without constituent approval. One of the great weaknesses of the Federal Council of Churches over the years has been its determined affirmations regarding what it held to be the right thing to say as a representative body at a given time. Never to our knowledge were the constituencies consulted and their approval obtained. This allowed a few men to speak for millions of people. We know of nothing that could be more tragic and undemocratic. These men could talk on any subject they saw fit, and boast of being representatives of twenty or more millions of American church people. We do not believe they ever were representative of these people. Against such errors we must guard ourselves. The world is never going to be very much impressed by pronouncements issued as a consequence of the deliberation of a few master minds. The great Christian family is a mighty spiritual democracy. In the counsel of many there is wisdom. The prerogatives of the Christian believers should be preserved, and the door left open to these people to express themselves in vast volume of either affirmation or condemnation when they have decided so to do.

Fields of Endeavor Must Be Clearly Defined

The fifth principle concerns the fact that there shall be fields of cooperation which shall be clearly delimited. By that is meant that we must know clearly what we are going to do. We had better not at the first try to do too much. There are some things we can do and should do. They are waiting for us to do them, but we must not fritter away our strength and resources on attempting to do more than is feasible at the time. It will take some time for our organization to become an accomplished [illegible]

[illegible] of Catholicism [illegible] the Vatican Embassy [illegible] to cancel the appointment [illegible] President to the [illegible]

[illegible] with our position in [illegible] matter we have the great be[illegible]yal of American Protestantism by [illegible] Federal Council of Churches, [illegible] head of which at the time of [illegible] appointment of Myron C. Tay[illegible] as the Ambassador to the Va[illegible]an gave his personal consent to [illegible] President for the appointment, [illegible]d the Council ever since has not [illegible]nounced the appointment, but [illegible] adopted the attitude, saying, [illegible]t us wait and see." We do not [illegible]ve that Council represents the [illegible]science and intelligence of the [illegible]rch people of the United States. [illegible] shall therefore assume the pre[illegible]tive of speaking for the church [illegible]ple and calling them to rally [illegible]ind our standard as we seek not [illegible] to return our nation to its [illegible] principle of religious liberty, [illegible] also set before the world an [illegible]mple of consistency.

[illegible] Must Prepare Now To Assist [illegible] World-Wide Postwar Relief

[illegible]e second field for our common [illegible]eavor will be that of international interests. All of our people [illegible] interested in the persecution [illegible] is being heaped upon our [illegible]lievers in different parts of the [illegible]d, the persecution which they [illegible] to endure from titled hier[illegible]ies, privileged sects, state [illegible]rches, and dictators. We know [illegible] that in vast numbers they are in [illegible]eed of human relief. No one [illegible]omination will be strong enough to [illegible]eet this great need of sym[illegible]y, humanity, and the means of [illegible] We ought to so speed up our [illegible]nizational efficiency that we [illegible]d be ready when peace shall [illegible] to us the opportunity to load [illegible] with supplies in the name of [illegible]st to go to those evangelicals [illegible]ever they may be found who [illegible] be suffering and in need. It is [illegible]timated that in all parts of the [illegible] there will be Christians in [illegible] distress. Their own Christian [illegible]mmunities in their lands will not [illegible] strong enough to meet the need. We ought to be there with the [illegible] we may have at hand to [illegible] all the assistance we can. [illegible]on can prefigure the possibility [illegible] evangelicals in the United States [illegible] their resources for phi[illegible]thropy and charity toward their [illegible]lievers in the household of the [illegible] in other lands, thus strength[illegible] those people who will in turn [illegible]able thus to witness more ef[illegible]tively to the needy ones round [illegible] them.

[illegible] E. Should Be Clearing [illegible] for Missionary Agencies

[illegible] third possible field of our [illegible]operation is in matters of Chris[illegible]

[illegible] protest against the conditions that have been established around the various training camps throughout the country. These camps, to which we have sent our sons, our brothers, and our fathers, have been easy prey for the pampered vendors of the liquor traffic, and its vile accompaniment, prostitution. Had the National Association been in existence at the time the protest was made, we no doubt could have accomplished a great deal toward modifying the evil. We come late now to the battle. Nevertheless, when we come, let us do so with great force, so that at some stage we shall be able to put an end to the devastation facing our men in immoral surroundings.

We Must Unite And Assist Christian Laymen

The fifth possible field of cooperation is in the development of a Christian layman's movement. For a great many years, the laymen in our churches have been neglected. While they have been ministered to in the local church, they have not been encouraged to link their forces with others in a mighty movement looking toward the advancement of the cause of Christ at home and abroad. The Laymen's Foreign Mission Movement has practically died out, although in recent years there has been an earnest effort to revive it. Various sporadic enterprises have been invoked which in a limited way have done much for laymen. There nevertheless remains a vast untapped resource for Christ in the unoccupied laymen in our churches. These are our concern at the moment. It is possible to have a million men dedicating their lives and their possessions to the ongoing of the cause of Christ. By our mutual counseling and our cooperative efforts, we may yet launch a tremendous undertaking which shall result in the salvation of great hosts of men who will never be reached unless something like this is done.

A Nation-Wide Revival Is Envisioned

The sixth possible field of cooperation is evangelism, local, community, and national. At the end of the last war, owing to the growth and grip of modernism upon the various denominations, evangelism came into disrepute. The great campaigns we remember as having taken place prior to the last world war were so much criticised that pastors and community churches were discouraged in undertaking these endeavors. We have now seen a generation go by in which effective evangelism for the masses has been practically unknown. While we thank God for the work of individual evangelists, and even some parties of [illegible]

[illegible] which a generation ago in large numbers of communities had no competitors, must now compete with Sunday movies, commercialized sports, gambling, races of various kinds, and a whole raft of secular amusements. Without doubt, this has had a great effect upon the churches. Large numbers of our members have been lost to the world through the seductive enterprise into which they have been inveigled to go. We must do our best to retrieve much that has been lost and to keep what we have of this holy institution of the American Sabbath, so great as an aid to the propagation of the evangelical faith.

The Cause of Christian Education Must Be Advanced

The eighth possible field for our cooperation as evangelicals is that of Christian education. It is to our everlasting disgrace that we have allowed this field to be almost wholly possessed by the proponents of modernistic conviction. The creative elements in religious education have been taken out of our hands. The result is that in many major universities the Christian faith is so transformed that we as evangelicals cannot recognize that it is Christian at all. We must take note of the thousands of youth who get their education in such an atmosphere. There is not much sense in our allowing modernistic education to despoil our evangelical heritage. We must counter the impression that the modernists have conveyed that those who hold the tradition of Christ are lacking. We know that the evangelical faith is not incompatible with the highest culture and the most effective education. It never has been so. It is not so now. But we need to implement our conviction by preparing to reoccupy, the cultural areas we have lost. To do this we must have far-sighted plans and long-range programs. Our best young minds of this generation must be encouraged and equipped for creative cultural leadership in the next. Here is a task of intensely challenging proportions calling for the highest wisdom and the greatest resources we can acquire.

Conclusion

The final conviction actuating all that we do must be the simple proposition "Are we doing what our Lord Jesus Christ wants us to [illegible]

[illegible] cursed the Christ[illegible] must learn to [illegible] to keep oursel[illegible] God. We must go forward [illegible] Christ, faithful to him in all plans and considerations, and [illegible] ceasing in our endeavors until [illegible] cast our crowns before his [illegible]

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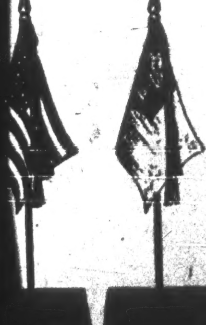

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PREAMBLE

...to Almighty God for the gift of salvation through our ...viour, Jesus Christ, and humbly invoking the guidance ...Spirit, we declare our belief in the need for an organiza- ...alified loyalty to the Gospel of Christ as revealed in the ...d, to represent the Evangelical Christians of America in ...ng for unity of action; and for that purpose do hereby ... organization which shall function under the following ...nd by-laws.

ARTICLE I
Name

...e of the organization shall be:

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ARTICLE II
Purpose

...provide a medium for voluntary united action among the ...ps of Evangelical Christians of America, without, how- ...e of executive or legislative control over the constituent

... fields of endeavor shall be Evangelism, Foreign Missions, ...ns, Education, War Service, Public Relations, Moral Wel- ...nd such other fields of endeavor as the governing board ...me to time deem appropriate.

ARTICLE III
Statement of Faith

...believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible ...word of God.

...believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three ...ther, Son and Holy Spirit.

...believe in the deity of Christ, in His virgin birth, in His ... His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death, through ...d, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right ...Father and in His personal return in power and glory.

...believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful man re- ... the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential.

... believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by ...ling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life.

...believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; ...e saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are ... resurrection of damnation.

...believe in the spiritual unity of believers in Christ.

ARTICLE IV
Membership

...mbership shall be by denominations, organizations, churches ...f churches, which are prepared to accept and comply with ... statement hereinafter set forth, without reservation of ...r.

...n, the Board of Administration shall be authorized to es- ...other forms of non-voting membership as shall be deemed ...vided, however, that the prospective members shall comply ...uirements of membership as set forth in the above para-

...requisite to membership, each prospective member shall ...the doctrinal statement set forth in Article III hereof.

...mbership shall be acquired by favorable action of at least ... the Board of Administration upon application on forms ...m time to time by said Board.

... intention to submit applications for membership shall be ...e Secretary, together with the names of the proposed ap- ...ach of the members of the Board of Administration at ...ays prior to the meeting of the Board at which applica- ...be submitted.

(c) Meetings—Delegates duly elected by the several members of the Association shall meet annually in the month of April or May at such time and place as shall be fixed by the Executive Committee. Written notice of the time and place of the annual meeting shall be sent to each of the members at least six months in advance of the meeting.

(d) Denominations which have become members of this Association shall be represented at all meetings of the body by one delegate to every 5,000 members or fraction thereof: except in denominations whose membership exceeds two hundred thousand, in which case representation after forty members shall be on the basis of one additional representative for every fifteen thousand members. Organizations shall be represented by one person duly appointed by that organization. Individual churches or groups of churches, not in affiliation with a member denomination, shall be represented by one delegate from each church.

(e) Each annual meeting shall be the judge of the election and qualification of the delegates elected thereto. It shall not be within the power of any meeting to waive any of the requirements of this constitution.

(f) Each delegate shall be a member or executive of the party whom he represents and without reservation or equivocation of any character shall prior to participation in any annual meeting to which he is elected and as a prerequisite to his attendance thereto subscribe in writing to the doctrinal statement set forth in article three hereof. It shall be the duty of each delegate to file with the secretary of the Association the said writing.

(g) Parliamentary procedure in all meetings shall be in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.

(h) Special meetings of the members may be called by direction of the Executive Committee or upon written request by members representing one-fifth of the total membership of the Association.

(i) All notices to members shall be addressed to the last address registered by members with the Secretary of the Association and may be by mail or telegram, charges prepaid.

ARTICLE V
Officers

(a) The officers shall be a President who shall be eligible to succeed himself in office for one term only, a First Vice-President, a Second Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, all of whom shall be elected at the annual meeting and who shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Administration.

(b) The duly elected officers of the said Association shall hold office until their successors are chosen and qualified in their stead.

ARTICLE VI
Board of Administration

(a) The business of the Association shall be conducted by a Board of Administration which shall consist of the elected officers of the Association, together with not fewer than twenty nor more than forty members at large; the members at large shall serve for a term of one year and shall be elected by the delegates at the annual meeting of the Association. In the election of members at large, consideration shall be given to proper representation of the membership, both geographically and organizationally.

(b) The Board of Administration shall establish an executive committee to consist of the officers of the association and six other members of said Board. The Board may delegate to the executive committee such of its powers and authority as may be deemed necessary for the proper functioning of the association.

ARTICLE VII
Incorporation

The Board of Administration shall cause this Association to be incorporated as a non-profit corporation in such jurisdiction or jurisdictions as may seem to it appropriate. The certificate of incorporation shall be so framed that this constitution and the by-laws adopted thereunder shall be the constitution and by-laws of the corporation so formed.

ARTICLE VIII
By-Laws

The Association shall adopt such by-laws as shall seem to it appropriate and necessary for the detail of the operation of the Association. The by-laws shall provide for the manner of amendment thereof.

ARTICLE IX
Amendments

Amendments to this constitution shall be proposed in writing by lodging the same with the secretary thereof at the annual meeting preceding their adoption. The Board of Administration shall immediately after the annual meeting at which amendments are proposed cause copies of the same to be mailed to each of the members. A two-thirds favorable vote of the delegates duly elected and participating shall be required in order to secure the adoption of such proposed amendment, provided, however, that the annual meeting of the delegates held in the year 1944, shall reconsider the subjects of membership, representation and such other subjects as a constitutional committee shall recommend, and take such action thereon as it deems appropriate. This action may be taken by majority vote.

BY-LAWS
Board of Administration

(a) The property and business of the Association shall be managed by the Board of Administration.

(b) The President of the Association shall serve as Chairman of the Board of Administration and shall preside at all meetings of the same.

(c) Regular meetings of the Board of Administration shall be held at such times and places as shall be determined by the said board but not less often than twice in each year.

(d) Special meetings of the Board of Administration may be called by the President on ten days' notice to each member of the Board. Such meetings shall also be called by the President or Secretary in like manner and on like notice upon the written request of any five members of the Board.

(e) The Board of Administration shall keep a written minute of each meeting and shall present the same at the annual meeting of the Association for approval thereof.

OFFICERS

(a) The Board of Administration or the Executive Committee may, in addition to the officers provided for in the Constitution, appoint such assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers, and other subordinate officers and agents as it may deem necessary. Such officers, when appointed, shall hold office for the terms and exercise the powers and perform the duties from time to time assigned to them by the said board or committee. Any officer or agent so appointed may be removed at any time by action of the appointing body.

(b) The *President* shall be the chief executive officer of the said Association. He may, with the consent of the Board of Administration, delegate to such other officers such authorities and powers as shall from time to time be deemed appropriate and necessary to facilitate the operation of the association.

(c) The *Vice-Presidents* in the order of their seniority shall, in the absence or disability of the President, perform the duties and functions of his office, and in addition thereto such other duties as the Board of Administration shall from time to time prescribe.

(d) The *Secretary* shall attend all the meetings of the Board of Administration and of the members of the Association and cause to be recorded all votes and the minutes of all proceedings in a book to be kept for that purpose; and shall perform like duties for all committees. He shall give, or cause to be given, notice of all meetings of the members and of the several committees of the Association and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Administration or Executive Committee under whose supervision he shall be. He shall cause to be kept in safe custody the seal of the Association and, when authorized by the Board of Administration or the Executive Committee affix the same to any instrument requiring it. When so affixed, it shall be attested by his signature or by the signature of such other officer as shall be designated by the Board of Administration or the Executive Committee.

The Secretary shall keep an accurate roll of the names and addresses of the members of the Association which shall be the official record of the same for all purposes of the Association.

(e) The *Treasurer* shall have custody of the corporate funds and securities and shall cause them to be kept in a safe deposit box as directed by the Board of Administration. He shall cause to be kept full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements in books belonging to the Association and shall deposit all monies and other valuable effects in the name of and to the credit of the Association in such depositories as shall be directed by the Board of Administration.

The Treasurer shall cause the funds of the Association to be disbursed as may be ordered by the Board of Administration or the Executive Committee, causing proper vouchers to be taken for such disbursements, and he shall cause to be rendered to the Board of Administration and the Executive Committee at regular meetings of the same, or whenever required by them, an account of all transactions as Treasurer and of the financial condition of the Association.

The Treasurer shall give the Association a bond, which shall be renewed annually in such sum, and with such surety or sureties as may be satisfactory to the Board of Administration, for the faithful performance of the duties of his office, and for the restoration to the Association in case of his death, resignation, retirement or removal from office of all books, papers, vouchers, money and other property, of whatever kind, in his possession or under his control belonging to the Association.

(f) *Delegation of Duties*—In the case of the absence of any officer of the Association or for any other reason the Board of Administration or Executive Committee may deem sufficient, the said Board or Committee may delegate, for the time being, the powers and duties of any such officer to any other officer, or to any member of the Board of Administration.

SEAL

The Board of Administration shall adopt a seal in conformity with the laws of the state under which the Association is incorporated, which shall be the seal of the Association. The said seal may be used by having the same, or a fascimile thereof, impressed or affixed or reproduced otherwise.

FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on the 1st day of January in each year.

NOTICES

Whenever, under the provisions of these by-laws, notice is required to be given to any member of the Association or member of the Board of Administration or the Executive Committee, it shall not be construed to be personal notice, but such notice shall be given in writing, by mail, by depositing the same in the post-office or letter-box, in a postpaid sealed wrapper properly addressed to such party, or by prepaid telegram addressed to such member, or member of Executive Committee at such address as appears on the books of the Association.

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bulwark against apostacy, the church leaders outlined a program of wide activity. After three days of work study groups and committee sessions on policy and endeavor under the able leadership, those in close contact with the National Association of Evangelical Action are convinced that this evangelical movement will become "the spearhead for the invasion of the Christian consciousness of this nation as to our responsibility and our revivalistic opportunity." As stated by Dr Ockenga in the keynote message, "This movement is an instrument to bring to pass a new era in achievement and to meet the need of a crisis hour in the nation and the world."

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urged an educational program to emphasize its harmful physical, spiritual and social effects. The committee disputed the contention that "there is less drinking now than before repeal, and that people now drink scientifically," and held that "the younger generation that did not know the condition during prohibition are being captured by these lies."

GAMBLING, SABBATH DESECRATION, RADIO VULGARITY CONDEMNED

The practice of church gambling, failure to observe the Lord's day, and radio vulgarity came in for further action. The committee condemned "the practice of some churches throughout the country to use the lottery, bingo and other games of chance to finance their work" as a serious compromise which "makes the church a gambling rather than a soul-saving center."

Committee Protests Sunday Movies, Dances, Sports, and Patriotic Events

"The Lord's Day is being attacked by the forces of unrighteousness," the committee asserted. "Motion pictures, dances, commercialized sports, gambling and many other activities are permitted on Sunday, and the government war program is demanding a seven-day work week, with many other so-called patriotic events being held on Sunday." The committee proposed an appeal to member churches, to teach members the proper respect for the Lord's Day.

Steps Are Taken to Save American Home

"The American home is the key- ... home by taking many mothers to work in war industries, and fathers are working unusual hours and in some cases see little of their families. The children are put on their own responsibility and are without real home life. We reaffirm our belief in the Christian home and its influence upon the nation, and we call upon the families in our churches to reconsecrate their lives to Christ, to re-establish the family altar and renew family devotions."

Federal Communications Committee to be Consulted

With respect to radio vulgarity, the committee planned a protest to the Federal Communications Commission against "suggestive filth in some scripts." It declared that "this kind of radio broadcasting can lower the moral standards and character of the American people." A further protest will be made to sponsors of such programs, expressing opposition to this type of commercial advertising."

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Below—PASTORS Daniel Iverson of Shenandoah Presbyterian Church, Miami, Florida, and Torrey M. Johnson of Mid-West Bible Church seem intent upon convention proceedings.

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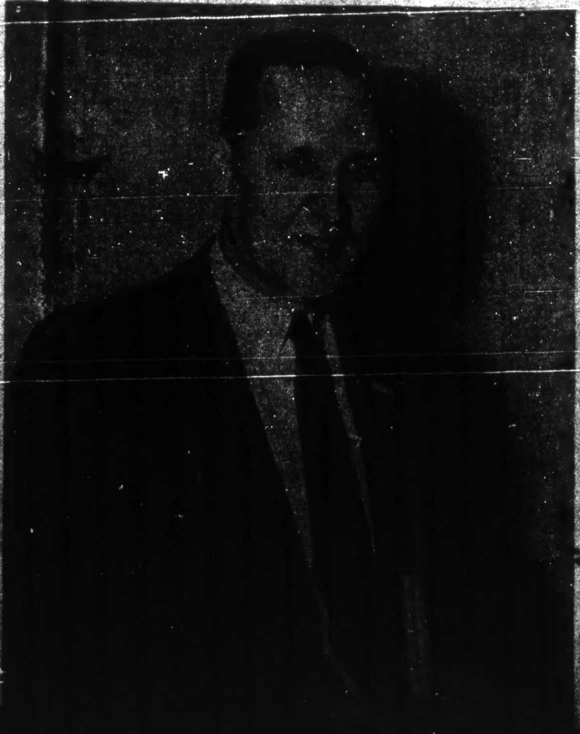
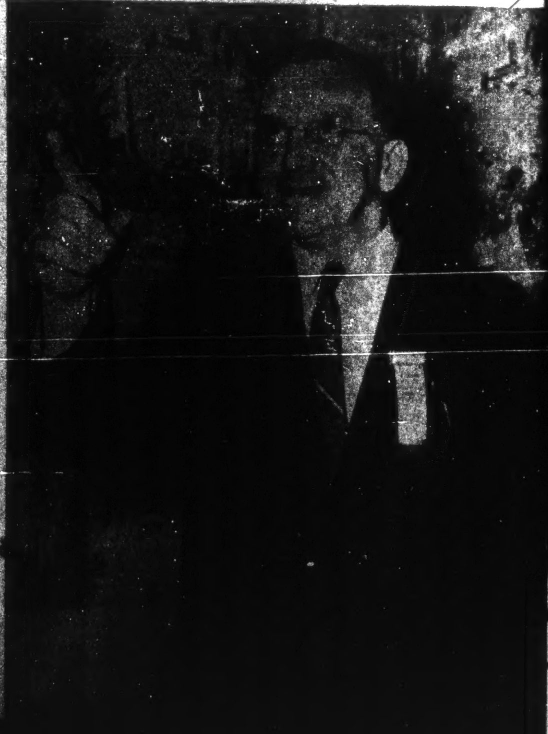
Above — A WORK-STUDY GROUP. One of the nine groups which grappled with the practical problems which face Evangelicals.

Below—"THE KINGDOM OF HELL IS AT HAND." President Ockenga impressed five hundred delegates at the opening session with their personal responsibility to bring America back to God.

Below—BANQUET SPEAKER, Dr. T. Roland P[illegible] of Baltimore, Md., said, "God help you to end as you began, by prayer."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